

CITY OF BRUNSWICK

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MAYOR AND COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2010, 7:00 P.M.

Ordinance 488—Mandatory Bicycle & Skateboard Helmet Law—Dave Dunn Draft ordinance attached. Gives brief overview of proposed ordinance. Current Maryland state law only applies to 16 years of age and under. Brunswick Police may only enforce state law by issuing a warning. Staff has asked for grant funds to cover cost of helmets to residents, however, no decision has been received to date.

Ellis Burruss—310 Souder Road—Understands wanting to keep kids safe, but wonders if we're constricting normal childhood play. Doesn't want to discourage activity in children. Must strike a balance between safety and unstructured play. Urges Council to weigh long terms dangers to immediate dangers.

Biser-Would like to see an age limit placed on this ordinance, so adults aren't restricted.

Tome-Leaning towards placing age limit, too.

Stull-Would like to see everyone restricted, so adults set a good example for minors.

Smith-Wasn't in favor of this ordinance at the beginning of discussions, but doesn't see any sense in restricting age limits.

Mayor-One could argue that with maturity comes better decision-making skills.

Ordinance 489—Juvenile Curfew Law—Dave Dunn Draft ordinance attached. Gives brief overview of proposed ordinance.

Smith-Questions who is responsible for paying fine?

Dave Dunn-Parents are responsible.

Milt Frech, Police Chief-Officers could also refer a child to Juvenile Services.

No public comment.

Mayor-There will be another Public Hearing on this issue on February 9, 2010.

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL-Johnson, Biser, Bowie, Stull, Tome, Smith-all present

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Brunswick Family Campground has been evacuated due to high water.

Regarding the zip code/Galyn Manor issue...Received another letter from the U.S. Postal Service stating they will review City's request to amend zip code boundaries.

CITIZENS' FORUM

No comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Florida Avenue Sidewalk Bid Award–Dave Dunn Staff report attached. Staff recommends award to Dixon & Sons for \$6,080.00.

Motion to award to Dixon–Smith 2nd–Bowie Vote 6-0

City Personnel Manual-Harassment Policy Adoption & Approval—Dave Dunn Policy attached. Local Government Insurance Trust (LGIT) notified the City that they had seen some issues recently of harassment policies that weren't enforceable. Staff would like to incorporate this document to the Personnel Manual by attachment. All staff would have to sign for new copies of this document.

Motion to approve–Biser

2nd-Tome

Vote 6-0

Approved By:

Date

Witnessed By:

City Administrator

Date